

Capital Expenditure Proposal Form

Principal Investigators who will lead research expeditions on the RRS *James Cook* or RRS *Discovery* are invited to complete a [Capital Expenditure Proposal Form](#) to submit proposals for suggested items of spend on ship-based equipment.

A note on Expectation: The purpose of this exercise is that, when opportunities arise at short notice, an up-to-date, rank-ordered openly-generated priority list exists for capital purchases into the National Marine Equipment Pool. In a typical year, one without exceptional and unpredictable capital purchase opportunities, NMEP funding is able to cover only replacement, upgrade and maintenance costs.

Submission and review process

There will be two rounds of proposal reviews each year. Applicants are asked to submit proposals by the due dates given below. Proposals received after the next available due date will be held over until the next round.

- Email proposals to Jackie Pearson of the Marine Facilities Advisory Board (MFAB) Secretariat: jfpea@noc.ac.uk
- The MFAB Chair will nominate members of the Board with relevant expertise, to review and rank proposals.
- Reviews will be drawn together by the MFAB Chair, and given a final rank ordering.
- The rank ordered list will be merged with existing list by the MFAB Chair in discussion with Head of National Marine Facilities, National Oceanography Centre.
- Proposals that receive recommendation for funding will be submitted to National Marine Facilities Planning and the Natural Environment Research Council for approval.
- Feedback will be given for all proposals submitted.

Due dates for 2018/19

Round one: 30 September 2018

Round two: 31 March 2019